SPEAKER: LB 3..LB 24 is advanced. That brings up the General File consideration of LB 71. Is Senator Goodrich in the chamber? We will bypass that temporarily. Can we move to LB 107. Senator Carstens, is 107 yours.

CLERK: Read title. LB 107.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Fred Carstens.

SENATOR FRED CARSTENS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is a very..this is merely a correcting bill..

a correctional bill which was requested by the Natural
Resources District. I think you are all aware that..how the
Natural Resource Districts all went into operation over the
state of July last year. As usual of all..as required of all
governmental subdivisions, they must have their books audited
once a year. Now in these water resource districts it
provides that the books be audited by a certified and I emphasize certified public accountant. Now this is not necessary.
Other subdivisions are not required to do that and all this
does..the bill does and the only change in the bill is strikes
the word "certified" leaving that the books be audited by
a public accountant. The statute defines in another section
that a public accountant and certified public accountant
shall be one and the same thing and be sufficient to meet
the requirements for an audit. It will save considerable
expense to the water districts if they can use the public
accountant instead of a certified public accountant to do
the job just as well. There is nothing else in the bill.
I move the bill be advanced to E & R Initial.

SPEAKER: Thank you. We have some amendments, apparently, on the desk.

CLERK: Read.

SENATOR FRED CARSTENS: I move the emergency clause be adopted. Ask unanimous consent that the emergency clause be adopted.

SPEAKER: Senator Carstens is asking unanimous consent to add the emergency clause to this bill. Are there any objections to the motion. Any objections. There are none. So ordered. The emergency clause is added.

SENATOR FRED CARSTENS: Now I move the bill be advanced.

SPEAKER: Very good. The motion is to advance LB 74..107 as amended. All those in favor will advance the bill. All those in favor will vote aye. All those opposed will vote no. Voting on the advancement of LB 107. Have you all voted? The clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 31 ayes, Mr. President, on the motion to advance.

SPEAKER: The bill as amended is advanced. It brings up the General File consideration of LB 108. The clerk will read the title.

CLERK: Read title. LB 108.

SPEAKER: Are there any amendments.

CLERK: None, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Fred Carstens.

SENATOR FRED CARSTENS: I am going to ask unamimous consent that the emergency clause be added. It just occurred to me.

SPEAKER: Senator Carstens is asking unanimous consent to add the emergency clause to this bill. Are there any objections.